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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of all claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims**

- 1-17. (canceled)
- 18. (currently amended) A composition comprising:
- a) a substrate comprising an array of electrodes, wherein each electrode comprises a binding ligand;
  - b) a plurality of colloids, each comprising:
    - i) a binding ligand partner; and
    - ii) an electron transfer moiety;
- c) a detector capable of detecting <u>the voltage associated with</u> electron transfer from said electron transfer moiety.
- 19. (canceled)
- 20. (previously presented) The composition of claim 18 wherein said plurality of colloids further comprise a self-assembled monolayer.
- 21. (previously presented) The composition of claim 20 wherein said self-assembling monolayer comprises an alkyl chain.
- 22. (previously presented) The composition of claim 18 wherein said substrate is a printed circuit board.
- 23. (previously presented) The composition according to claim 18 wherein said electrodes are gold.

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24. (previously presented) The composition according to claim 18 wherein said electron transfer moiety is a transition metal complex.

25. (previously presented) The composition according to claim 24 wherein said transition metal complex is ferrocene.

26: (previously presented) The composition according to claim 18 wherein said ETM is an organic ETM.

27. (previously presented) The composition according to claim 18 wherein said binding ligand is a first nucleic acid and said binding ligand partner is a second nucleic acid.

28-37. (canceled)